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E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJECT: GREEK BASE NEGOTIATIONS - DISCUSSION WITH
TZOUNIS

1. I AM REPEATING FOR YOUR INFORMATION ATHENS 10167 WHICH
CONTAINS A STRONG RECOMMENDATION FROM JACK KUBISCH THAT
YOU WEIGH IN HEAVILY ON THE GREEK BASE NEGOTIATIONS DURING
THE MEETING IN CRETE WITH JOHN TZOUNIS. I ENDORSE JACK'S
SUGGESTION. A STRONG STATEMENT FROM YOU THAT THE TALKS
MUST BE CONCLUDED EXPEDIOUSLY WILL GREATLY AID OUR EFFORTS
TO WRAP UP THESE DISCUSSIONS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

2. I BELIEVE YOU WILL FIND THAT THE GREEK-BASE PORTION OF
THE BRIEFING MATERIALS WE PROVIDED YOU FOR THE TZOUNIS
MEETING ARE ENTIRELY CONSISTENT WITH JACK'S SUGGESTIONS.
THE IMPORTANT THING IS FOR JOHN TZOUNIS TO GO BACK TO
ATHENS DISABUSED OF ANY IDEA THAT WE HAVE FURTHER CON-
CESSIONS TO MAKE. WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL SESSION VIRTUALLY
OVER THERE IS NO NEED FOR US TO MAKE CONCESSIONS TO CON-

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CLUE THE NEGOTIATIONS. THE GREEKS SHOULD UNDERSTAND

THAT THEY ARE TAKING A RISK IF THEY CHOOSE TO LEAVE MATTERS
OPEN UNTIL NEXT YEAR. HABIB

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